

YANAGISAWA et al. -- Appln. No. 09/600,779**REMARKS**

Claims 46-51, 67, 69-73, and 93 are pending. Claims 46, 50, 67, and 72 have been amended. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended to the Applicants' Representative by the Examiner during the October 16, 2003 personal interview. During the interview, the Examiner agreed that amendments to claims 46 and 50 to clarify that the toll data was received from a location remote to the moving body and amendments to claims 67 and 70 to clarify that the charging is performed at the ground station should overcome the rejection of these claims over Widl. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claims 46, 50, and 67 to clarify these points.

With respect to claim 70, Applicants submit that the discussed feature is already present in this claim. Specifically, claim 70 recites, in part, an on-road communication means ...for performing charge settlement processing.

With respect to claim 72, Applicants submit that, as discussed during the interview, Widl teaches charge points and not an area as recited in claim 72. Applicants have amended claim 72 to specifically and more clearly recite that the area is a geographical area. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection over Widl of claims 46, 50, 67, 70 and 72.

In view of the foregoing, all the claims are believed to be in form for allowance, and such action is hereby solicited. If any point remains in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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